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First, a few notes. I have clicked and searched all the links I share with you. I find that I cannot open certain links on my Kindle but they all seem to work fine on my phone and computer so, if at first you don't succeed, try, try again; on a different device. Also, these patterns are free and some have a lot of sponsors on their page so be careful when clicking, I've annoyingly clicked on a commercial more than once. Some of the links are videos on YouTube; when you are watching these scroll down to the info and you will usually find a link to the pattern or templates there.

It was mentioned that the top sellers on the Quilt Show Boutique were quilts so starting this month I will be including a list of small quilts and mini quilts at the end. Some larger quilts or pillow covers can be turned into mini quilts easily. Small quilt blocks can be turned into potholders. You can also take a large quilt block and turn it into a mini quilt by adding borders.

Finally, pay attention to the designer behind the patterns. All the patterns I list are free but designers appreciate when we acknowledge their work. Some of them specifically ask that you give them credit for the design. This is easy enough to do by attaching a tag with the name of the designer to the final product.

This month the theme is Kitchens. There are lots of opportunities here to get creative. I have also included some St. Patrick's Day and Easter items. Have fun!

Coasters and Mug Rugs - To make coasters or mug rugs all you need is a cute shape to trace. They are a great way to use leftover fabric. You can even sew small scraps together and then cut them into the shape you want. Here are a few I have found on the internet:

\*Cat coaster: <https://sewverycrafty.com/how-to-make-cat-mug-rugs/>

\*Another cat coaster: <http://cathavencrafts.blogspot.com/2010/11/sharing-kitty-coaster-pattern.html?spref=pi&m=1>

\*Gnome mug rug: <https://thecraftyquilter.com/2019/12/the-cutest-gnome-mug-rug-ever/>

\*To Go Cup mug rug: <https://www.craftystaci.com/blog/to-go-cup-mug-mat>

\*Happy House mug rug: <http://sewinlovewithfabric.blogspot.com/2014/02/mug-rug-blog-hop-day-6.html>

\*Christmas Tree coaster: <https://blog.treasurie.com/christmas-coasters/>

- \*Vintage Ornaments mug rug: <https://blog.thermoweb.com/art-gallery-fabric-vintage-ornament-mug-rug/>
- \*Christmas Postcard mug rug: <https://blog.thermoweb.com/christmas-postcard-mug-rugs/>
- \*Reindeer mug rug: <https://www.craftystaci.com/blog/reindeer-mug-mat>
- \*Ghost mug rug: [https://www.patchworkposse.com/ghost-mug-rug-tutorial/?utm\\_source=pinterest&utm\\_medium=social](https://www.patchworkposse.com/ghost-mug-rug-tutorial/?utm_source=pinterest&utm_medium=social)
- \*Flower coaster: <https://craftyforhome.com/2022/03/10/flower-shaped-fabric-coaster-tutorial/>
- \*Record coaster: <https://weallsew.com/45-rpm-record-coaster-sewig-tutorial/>
- \*Scrappy coaster : <https://www.scatteredthoughtsofacraftymom.com/fabric-coaster-tutorial/>
- \*Strawberry coaster: <https://www.diaryofaquilter.com/quilted-strawberry-coaster-tutorial/>
- \*Apple coasters: <https://www.sharonhollanddesigns.com/freebies/apple-season-coasters-pdf>
- \*Summer Picnic coasters: [https://flamingotoes.com/easy-diy-summer-picnic-coasters/?utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_source=pinterest&utm\\_campaign=tailwind\\_tribes&utm\\_content=tribes&utm\\_term=728351058\\_29457022\\_192246](https://flamingotoes.com/easy-diy-summer-picnic-coasters/?utm_medium=social&utm_source=pinterest&utm_campaign=tailwind_tribes&utm_content=tribes&utm_term=728351058_29457022_192246)

Potholders and Oven Mitts - Fun and easy to make, these are great gifts. You can make a Potholder from any quilt block. You can also enlarge a coaster pattern and turn it into a potholder. Note that to make a safe to use potholder you need to use at least 2 pieces of batting but it is better to use one piece of Insul-bright PLUS one piece of batting.

\*Easy potholder: <https://www.marymarthamama.com/crafty-cat/easy-pocket-potholders/>

\*Easter egg potholder (no pattern but easy tutorial):  
<http://missmarysews.blogspot.com/2012/03/easter-pot-holder-tutorial.html?m=1>

\*Vintage Apron Hotpad:  
<https://cottoncharmquilts.typepad.com/Vintage%20Apron%20Pattern.pdf>

\*Strawberry potholder: <https://www.craftystaci.com/blog/strawberry-hot-pad>

\*Watermelon potholder: <https://blog.thermoweb.com/heatnbond-fusible-fleece-watermelon-oven-mitts-potholders/>

\*Owl potholder:

<https://www.quiltingdaily.com/quilt/its-a-hootie-free-owl-quilt-block-potholder-download/?epik=dj0yJnU9ckkyVnZvTGQ0c1RPa1ZxM051d01VUIRVTDZQ2JqRmYmcD0wJm49Z25iWVdJSFI0cTdoZF81RWV4VzQ2dyZ0PUFBQUFBR1BieXVN>

\*Cupcake potholder (in Spanish but the tutorial is self-explanatory):

<http://laslaboresdelis.blogspot.com/2012/12/tutorial-patrones-manopla-cupcake.html?m=1>

\*Turkey potholder: <https://www.craftystaci.com/blog/turkey-hot-pad>

\*Hanukkah potholder: <https://blog.sulky.com/hanukkah-potholder-to-make-give/>

\*Holiday potholder: <https://weallsew.com/holiday-potholders-tutorial/>

\*Basic oven mitt: <http://gingercake.org/gingercake/2012/09/easy-oven-mitt-by-trish.html>

\*Cast iron skillet handle cover: <https://crazylittleprojects.com/skillet-handle-cover-tutorial/>

Cooking in the microwave - These are items that will be used in the microwave so you need to make sure you are using 100% cotton fabric, batting, and thread.

\*Bowl cozies (There are a million and one ways to sew these bowls and a million and one tutorials, videos, patterns, etc. on the internet. I am including just one, but you get the idea. I have also sewn scraps together to make some of these):

<https://blog.treasurie.com/bowl-cozy-pattern/>

\*Microwave popcorn bag: <https://neededinthehome.com/cute-creative-practical-gift-idea-diy-microwave-popcorn-bag-tutorial/>

\*Tortilla warmer: [https://thisautoimmunelife.com/2017/05/02/tortilla-warmer-tutorial/?utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_source=pinterest&utm\\_campaign=tailwind\\_tribes&utm\\_content=tribes&utm\\_term=424563372\\_14438858\\_335567](https://thisautoimmunelife.com/2017/05/02/tortilla-warmer-tutorial/?utm_medium=social&utm_source=pinterest&utm_campaign=tailwind_tribes&utm_content=tribes&utm_term=424563372_14438858_335567)

\*Baked potato bag: <https://www.agirlandagluegun.com/potato-bag>

Towels - There are plain solid color towels to be found at the dollar store.

\*Kitchen towel scarf (kitchen boa): <https://sew4home.com/wear-n-wipe-kitchen-towel-scarf/>

\*Hanging hand towel: <https://sewing.com/hanging-hand-towel-sewing-tutorial/>

\*Another hanging hand towel: <https://www.littlebitfunky.com/2013/11/20-minute-crafter-modern-dish-towels.html>

\*Apple and Pear Kitchen Towels: <https://sew4home.com/apple-and-pear-kitchen-towels-with-easy-applique/>

Reusable Bags - These are great for everyday use in the kitchen.

\*Produce bag- A word on mesh fabric: notice that it has a stretch in one direction only. Make sure you use that stretch on the horizontal and not vertically (otherwise your bag will stretch to the floor): <https://sewverycrafty.com/how-to-make-a-reusable-produce-bag/>

\*Burlap produce basket: <https://www.schneiderpeeps.com/burlap-and-fabric-produce-basket-tutorial/>

\*Snack bags: <https://theinspirationboard.com/reusable-lunch-bags-sewing-tutorial/>

\*Lunch bag: <https://www.dearcreatives.com/diy-lunch-bag/>

\*Another lunch bag: <https://sewmodernbags.com/how-to-sew-a-classic-reusable-lunch-bag-free-video-sewing-tutorial/>

\*Linen bread bags (great for the homebaker): <https://craftysewingsew.co.uk/how-to-make-linen-bread-bags/>

\*Bread basket: <https://www.craftcottonblog.co.uk/post/2018/06/06/bread-basket-by-debbie-shore>

Other Cute Kitchen Projects -

\*Chicken bread basket cover: <https://www.pellonprojects.com/projects/quilted-holiday-bread-basket-cover/>

\*Chicken basket: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uG6lWg70am8>

\*Casserole or pie carrier: <http://cathcarts.blogspot.com/2012/01/casserole-carrier.html>

\*Pan protectors (this blog is in Spanish but you get the idea): <http://obradoirodeklor.blogspot.com/2017/02/protector-para-sartenes-y-cacerolas.html?m=1>

\*Jar wrap (save your plastic jars, they work in the sewing room or in the kitchen!): <https://www.modafabrics.com/2016/05/scrap-wraps.html>

St. Patrick's Day (March 27, 2024) -

\*Celtic Cross Block: <https://fortworthfabricstudio.blogspot.com/2014/05/celtic-cross-block-tutorial.html>

\*Shamrock Table Runner: <https://weallsew.com/shamrock-table-runner/>

\*Little Clover Table Topper: <https://www.thesplendidsampler.com/2017/03/16/bonus-block-little-clover/>

\*Scrappy Shamrock Potholder: <http://logcabinquiltery.blogspot.com/2017/02/scrappy-shamrock-tutorial.html>

Easter (March 31, 2024) -

\*Little Spring Chicks Pillow Cover: <https://blog.thermoweb.com/little-spring-chicks-a-patchwork-applique-pillow>

\*Farmhouse Pillow: <https://www.tildasworld.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Farmhouse-Pillow-web.pdf>

\*Carrot treat bags: <https://makeit-loveit.com/sew-carrot-treat-bag-easter>

\*Bunny treat bags: <https://sewcanshe.com/2013-3-4-bunny-treat-bags-a-free-tutorial/>

\*Bunny basket: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=irHIM5it4O4>

\*Fabric Easter Basket: <https://www.somewhatsimple.com/soft-fabric-baskets-tutorial-2/>

\*Basket and Eggs Tutorial: <https://www.diaryofaquilter.com/fabric-basket-and-eggs-tutorial/>

April 8, 2024 - Total Eclipse -

\*Luna Quilt: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1HNwhPfYQL1x60hKxRTwpi2ZVT-jASIUH/view>

\*Moonshadow: <https://stashbandit.net/wp-content/uploads/Moonshadow.pdf>

\*Eclipse: [https://liveartgalleryfabrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Eclipse-Quilt-Instructions\\_new.pdf](https://liveartgalleryfabrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Eclipse-Quilt-Instructions_new.pdf)

Quilts -

\*Scoop It Up Quilt: <https://www.fairfieldworld.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/fgrX5Ja5tE.SCOOP-IT-UP-PATTERN-PDF.pdf>

\*Every Day is a Sunday Block/Mini Quilt: <https://app.box.com/s/pcd1b4oqip3dwmgm8piya897q7qddtw7>

\*Birthday Cake Block/Mini Quilt: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1q6Qlar0zPNiMF-QTtITtKkUicQym9GrV/view>

\*Cake Block/Mini Quilt: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1geXWhDh0cWqE-FczJpANHxFwZKebgPzc/view>

\*It's Party Time Cake Mini Quilt: <https://blog.thermoweb.com/its-party-time-cake-mini-quilt-with-heatnbond-lite-applique/>

\*Blueberry Pie House Quilt: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B23kupUc5if6ZlpnNVNMdUFCcXM/view?resourcekey=0-29-0Ki2RA8VxllsLkKMog>

\*Kindred Kitchen Block/Mini Quilt:

<https://www.fatquartershop.com/media/blog/Snapshots/5-Snapshots-KindredKitchen%20.pdf>

\*Bakery Window Mini Quilt: <https://flamingotoes.com/bakery-window-mini-quilt-with-shortcake-fabric/>

\*Baked With Love Mini Quilt:

<https://cottoncharmquilts.typepad.com/Baked%20With%20Love.pdf>